DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION RECORDS RETENTION AND DISPOSAL SCHEDULE

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Agency DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION	<u>Division/Unit</u> Real Property – Local Assessment Offices		
 	Retention Before tax year 1982-83: Retain original hard copy assessment rolls in respective offices as inquiry demands and space permits or offer to Hall of Records. If Hall of Records does not accept, and the rolls have been copied to microfilm, then destroy. If not on microfilm ask permission from Hall of Records to destroy. Tax Years 1982-83 Through 1999-2000: Microfiche copies of roll will be centrally delivered to the County Assessment Offices and Hall of Records. County Assessment Offices should permanently retain their copies.		
	Tax Year 2000-2001 and beyond: Three (3) copies of assessment roll will be produced on compact disk by SDAT IT Division. IT will deliver copy to Hall of Records, one copy to the local assessment office and retain one copy for installation of the current assessment roll on local public access computers. Local assessment offices should retain their assessment roll CD permanently.		
Approved by Department, Agency, or Division Representative Date: March 28, 2003 Signature: Joseph F. Wagner, Jr. Title: Real Property Area Supervisor	Schedule Authorized by State Archivist Date: JUN 2 4 2003 Signature: Signature:		

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Tax Maps (Property Maps) Property maps are created, maintained and supplied to local Assessment Offices by the Maryland Office of Planning.	Copies should be retained until superceded.	
3. <u>Sub-division Plats</u> These show property boundary descriptions. Local Assessments Offices receive copies and originals are on file with clerk of the court.	Retain fine (5) years and then destroy.	
4. Application for Tax Exemption Forms used to apply full or partial exemption from real property taxes is owned by blind persons, religious, charitable, educational used, disabled veterans, etc.	Retain until superseded, until exemption is removed, or until appeal period has lapsed; then destroy.	
5. Assessment Appeal Correspondence & Forms Includes all appeal (both general review and petition for review), filings and correspondence through all levels of appeal, including owners' appeal request, authorization of representation, assessors hearing notes, evidence submitted by owner and assessor (appeal forms AP1 and AP2); appeal decisions and settlement agreements.	Retain three (7) years, and then destroy	
6. General Correspondence Correspondence with government officials, property owners, individuals, organizations and other agencies concerning the business of the assessment office. Included are reports, publications and statistical tables used in daily business, but considered a "non-record."	Retain three (3) years, and then destroy	
7. Assessment Change Report Used for assessment changes in conjunction with the Office of the Comptroller reports for reconciliation of assessable base.	Retain four (4) years, and then destroy	
8. Application for Tax Credit (other than Homeowners' and Renters') These include Enterprise Zones, Conservation Easements, Medical Necessity Credits and other state and local tax credits.	Retain until superseded or until credit is removed, then destroy.	
9. Agricultural Transfer Tax Statement and Declaration of Intent Computation sheet for payment of agricultural transfer tax and Declaration of Intent to continue agricultural activity after property transfer.	Retain six (6) years, and then destroy.	

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10. Agricultural Use Application These forms are completed by property owners requesting an agricultural use assessment.	Retain until agri and then destroy	cultural assessment is removed, '
11. <u>Building Permits</u> This form is initiated by each jurisdictions permit office upon application by a property owner. A copy of the permit is forwarded to the local assessment office. It serves as a discovery document and contains specific information on the construction of new improved.		vears, after construction has been ntil permit is void, and then
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